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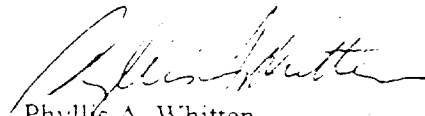
Re: In the Matter of the Application of CenturyTel Solutions, LLC for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to Provide Facilities-Based and Resold Local Exchange and Exchange Access Telecommunications Services Throughout the State of Tennessee
Docket No. 00-00075

Dear Mr. Waddell:

CenturyTel Solutions, LLC ("CTS"), by undersigned counsel and pursuant to TCA § 65-4-125, encloses for filing an original and thirteen (13) copies of CTS's Tennessee Telecommunications Service Provider's Surety Bond ("Bond") in the amount of twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000). The Bond is submitted to secure the payment of any monetary sanction imposed in any enforcement proceeding brought under Title 65 of the Tennessee Code Annotated or the Consumer Telemarketing Act of 1990, by or on behalf of the Tennessee Regulatory Authority.

Please date stamp the enclosed extra copy of this filing and return it in the self-addressed, postage prepaid envelope provided. If you have questions concerning this filing, please contact Vickie S. Byrd at (202) 295-8420.

Sincerely,


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Enclosures

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